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A READY-TO-BE FILLED CONTAINER AND A METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

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A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were cited by the French Patent Office in the corresponding French Application Serial No. 0212560, filed October 9, 2002. A copy of the French Preliminary Search Report in which they were cited is attached hereto.

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FR 2 537 093 discloses a case comprising a closed casing formed from two shells connecting together along a peripheral line and a push-button in order to operate an internal device such as a lighter, lamp or spray. The closing of the casing is obtained by internal attachment means whose detachment for the purpose of opening is carried out by pushing in the push-button after rotating the latter.

EP 0 601 348 discloses a flat pocket spray-bottle which is arranged in a capsule formed from two shells and having the overall shape of a flat, elongate cube. The pocket spray-bottle has an attachment on the bottle neck with a pushbutton which brings about the spraying operation and is accessible through an end-side cut-out in the capsule, and with a lateral spray nozzle which juts into a smaller lateral cut-out in the capsule.

DE 200 10 493 discloses a container for admission of a fluid, in particular for admission of perfumes or the same, with a dosing equipment. The container comprises an internal container for admission of the fluid from which the dosing equipment extends. The container also comprises a casing of the internal container with an opening through which the dosing equipment can be activated.

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These documents do not disclose a container in which the mounting opening and the cavity comprising means for dispensing the product are provided on opposite faces.

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